

PATENT
450101-02921REMARKS

In the Office Action under reply, the Examiner required an election of species as follows:

Species 1, claims 1-10;

Species 2, claims 11-18;

Species 3, claims 70-84;

Species 4, claims 19-24; and

Species 5, claims 60-67.

The Examiner found claims 25-45, 51-58, 68 and 69 to be generic.

The Examiner omitted claims 46-50 and 59 from his grouping of the claims. It is respectfully submitted, claims 46-50 may be included in Species 2; and claim 59 may be properly included in Species 5.

Applicants elect, **without traverse**, Species 3 claims 25-45, 51-58 and 70-84 for further prosecution in the present application. To simplify the prosecution of this application, the non-elected claims are cancelled and will be re-submitted in one or more divisional applications. Generic claims 68 and 69 will be re-submitted in such divisional application(s).

Applicants reserve their right to present the non-elected claims in a divisional application for further prosecution.

An early examination on the merits of the elected claims is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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